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#### **BY HAND**

The Honorable Richard M. Berman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 650 New York, New York 10007

# MEMO ENDORSED

Re: Gucci America, Inc. v. Jennifer Gucci, et al., 07 cv 6820 (RMB) (JCF)

### Dear Judge Berman:

We represent plaintiff Gucci America, Inc. ("Gucci") in the above entitled action. We write to inform the Court of Gucci's anticipated motion for summary judgment against defendants Jennifer Gucci, Edward Litwak d/b/a Ed Litwak & Associates ("Litwak") and Gemma Gucci (collectively the "Gucci Defendants"). We seek the Court's guidance as to whether, in connection with this motion, it will require a pre-motion conference and pre-motion conference letter, as specified in the Court's individual rules.

As the Court is aware, discovery in this case closed on March 21, 2008, and the case is awaiting a trial date. Currently, the parties are scheduled to appear before the Court on April 28, 2008 for a hearing to discuss the pending motion of counsel for defendants Litwak and Jennifer Gucci to withdraw.

Under the Scheduling Order issued on January 14, 2008 (the "Scheduling Order"), the parties were to have submitted a joint pretrial order and witness statements on March 31, 2008, and trial was set for April 21. The Scheduling Order also provided for the filing of any dispositive motions with the joint pretrial order on March 31. The Scheduling Order did not require a party filing a dispositive motion to request a pre-motion conference. Gucci was in the process of preparing a motion for summary judgment when the schedule was adjourned.

Gucci respectfully requests the opportunity to file its motion for summary judgment forthwith, so that it can be considered by the Court well in advance of any trial date the Court may wish to establish. This way, if the Court were to grant summary judgment, the need for a trial may be completely alleviated, or the issues to be tried may be significantly narrowed.

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We look forward to the Court's direction on this matter at its earliest convenience.

Respectfully yours,

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